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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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Sir:

This paper is submitted in response to the Restriction Requirement dated 07/16/2003 in the above-identified patent application.

Applicant herewith elects, with traverse, Group I, Claims 1-37, and further elects the Species in Figures 3-4, and Figures 5-8; thus Claims 1-26.

Applicant traverses on the grounds that the Species of Claims 1-26 are drawn in common, to limitations of the Species of Claims 27-37. The examiner will

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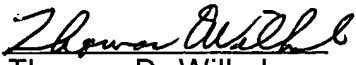
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necessarily search for and evaluate the subject matter of Claims 27-37 in conducting the examination of Claims 1-26.

Accordingly, applicants submit that Claims 27-37 should be combined with Claims 1-26 for examination purposes, even if no generic claims are found to be allowable, and such combination is hereby respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,
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